**Joint Search and Rescue Missions by Indian and US Navy**

3066. SHRIM ATI VANGA GEETHA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE by pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indian and the US Navy have carried out Search and Rescue (SAR) Missions together;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the two navies have joint exercises under the Malabar series;and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE,(SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) Under Malabar series, three exereises have been carried out between the Indian and US Navy, the details of which are as under:—

(i) Malabar 1 from 28-30 May, 1992

(ii) Malabar 2 from 10-14 May, 1995

(iii) Malabar 3 from 26-31 March, 1996.

**Adherence to recruitment norms by 515 Army Base Workshop, Bangalore**

3067. SHRJ H.K. JAVARE GOWDA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 515 Army Base Workshop, Bangalore has started recuitment process for the post of C and D posts; if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Cantonment Boards should notify staff requirement to the employment exchanges of the State; if so, whether such rules are followed if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether it is a fact that concerned officer has violated rules and published the advertisement in the Tamil language paper; and

(d) if so, what action Government propose to take in this matter?